

**A METHOD OF TRANSFER OF A CALL CONNECTION CONNECTING A  
TELECOMMUNICATIONS BASE STATION AND A MOBILE USER TERMINAL  
BETWEEN DEDICATED AND SHARED CHANNELS, AND A CORRESPONDING  
TELECOMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM**

**Abstract of the Disclosure**

A method is provided of transfer of a call connection connecting a telecommunications base station and a mobile user terminal between dedicated channels in both directions therebetween and shared channels in both directions therebetween. The transfer is made dependent upon the amount of data buffered at the base station and the user terminal for transmission therebetween and/or the rate that data arrives at the base station and user terminal for transmission therebetween. The transfer is also dependent upon the value of a measured parameter of the signals between the base station and the user terminal, the parameter being signal attenuation or propagation delay.